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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :  
YASUO MORISHITA ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 10/069,725 :  
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FOR: ORGAN PRESERVATIVES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

3. (Amended) An organ preservative of claim 1, wherein the MAPK inhibitor and/or the inhibitor on the production of interleukin-1 (IL-1) and/or the inhibitor on the production of tumor necrosis factor (TNF) is/are a compound represented by the formula: